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- 1.(C) Per reftel, Acting DCM met privately with the Under Secretary for Multilateral Affairs in the Government of Jamaica (GoJ)'s Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade (MFAFT), Amb. Vilma McNish, on the morning of April 17 to urge the GoJ to respond formally and vote in a timely manner on Kosovo's applications for IMF and World Bank membership.
- 2.(C) Amb. McNish said that, while the GoJ had no plans to extend formal diplomatic recognition to Kosovo, on humanitarian grounds it would not block any entity's access to the International Financial Institutions; Jamaica therefore would submit abstentions on Kosovo's applications.
- 3.(C) Post will report any further information which becomes available. HEG